



# Caught in the Web™

Instruction  
Guide



 **WARNING:**  
CHOKING HAZARD - Small parts.  
Not for children under 3 years.

## Components

Game Board

4 Insect Game Pieces—grasshopper, dragonfly, butterfly, bee

20 Predator Cards

80 Question cards

## Object of the game

Be the first player to get your insect out of the web and safely back to your home habitat. Follow the path to your habitat answering true/false questions while watching out for predator spiders.

## Set Up

- Each player chooses an insect to use as their game piece for the game.
- Place your insect in the middle of the web to work your way back to your natural habitat found in the corners of the game board.
- Place the spider predator cards next to the board.
- Place the question cards on the opposite side of the board.

## Game Play

1. The youngest player goes first and play continues to the left.
2. Take a question card from the pile and have the player to your left read it out loud to you.
3. The player who reads the question determines if you answered it correctly. The answer is given on the bottom of the card.
4. If you answered it correctly, follow the directions on the card and follow the path back to your home habitat. Keep the card. Each correctly answered card is worth one point.

5. If you answer incorrectly, you just got caught in the web. Take a predator card. Follow the directions on the back of the card. Return the predator card to the bottom of the pile.

If you get caught in the web at the start of the game, you lose a turn. Stay where you are and start again on your next turn.

6. Play continues to the next player to your left.

## How to end the game

The first player to make it home safely to their habitat ends the game. Each player then counts how many question cards they answered correctly.

## Keeping Score

If you are the first insect to return to your home spot, you earn a point.

Every card you answer correctly, you receive one point.

The player with the most points at the end of the game wins.

## Alternative Game Play

1. Use the question cards to play a quick insect review game. Call out the question and the first team or player to answer the question correctly earns a point. The fact cards are a great way to start a discussion or have a review on different insects.
2. Start the insects in each corner. Try to be the first insect to make it to the middle of the game board. First person to land on the spider earns an extra point.

**Note:** Players may need an adult to help pronounce and define the scientific vocabulary found on the fact cards.

## **Insect Definitions**

**antennae** – "feelers" on an insect's head

**entomologist** – a scientist who studies insects

**exoskeleton** – a skeleton on the outside of the body; insects have exoskeletons

**insect** – an animal that breathes air, has an exoskeleton, three body segments, three pairs of legs, two sets of wings (usually), a pair of antennae and compound eyes

**invertebrates** – an animal without a backbone, such as an insect

**metamorphosis** – a biological process by which an animal physically develops after birth that usually includes three distinct developmental stages: larva or nymph, pupa, and adult

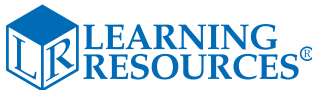
**pollinate** – the transfer of pollen from one flower to another

**predator** – an animal that eats another animal for food; spider

**spiracles** – the openings on an insect's sides where air enters the respiratory system

**tympanum** – membrane covering of the auditory organ; ear drum

**vertebrate** – an animal that has a backbone



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